

## Chief Strachan's Weekly Update

**More Bikes:** Our bike officers are getting out more often as staffing allows and as the weather warms up. Early last week, Officers Brandon Greenhill and Tim Garrity were out on bikes for most of their shift, making a large number of contacts. Within just a few minutes of leaving the police department, they caught a person leaving a grocery store after shoplifting alcohol. The man is a classic "frequent flyer" with 492 contacts with police. No, that was not a typo - 492. He went to jail.

**Sleeping... Driving... No, Wait, Not Either One:** On Saturday, Officers received a report that a car was stopped in the middle of the road in East Bremerton with its lights on. The driver had apparently stopped the car, taken off his shoes and gone to sleep with a cell phone still to his ear. Officers were able to eventually wake the very intoxicated driver, who demanded to know why he had been pulled over. After being informed that officers had actually responded to a report of him sleeping in the vehicle, the driver said that he had not actually been driving it at all, and had been dropped off there. He was adamant that he would not think of driving a car while drunk since he had just been arrested for DUI days earlier. State Patrol assisted and booked the suspect into jail.

**Yeah, That's Not a Parking Space:** Officer Trevor Donnelly handled a collision on Sheridan Rd in which the driver stuck and damaged a fence. The driver mentioned swerving to avoid hitting something in the road, but the investigation revealed that he was intoxicated.



**Nature is Unpredictable:** You may have seen in the paper the local man who was umpiring softball at Lion's Park when a tree fell on his car. He was apparently just getting out of the car when a pine cone hit him from above, alerting him to the falling tree, so he could get out of the way. We are on the lookout for a heroic squirrel who may have alerted him. We can joke a little about this, because he was fine and thankfully, only metal was damaged. Officers also really appreciated the fact that he went on and umpired the game - very dedicated!

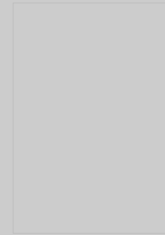


**You Do a Very Good Impersonation of a 2x4:** Officers responded to an address in West Bremerton last week for a domestic dispute. After knocking for some time, a male came outside and advised that the female had left. Officers then entered the house to check the welfare of the female, and eventually located her hiding in the wall. Both the male and female were found to have felony arrest warrants, and both were taken to jail.

Finally, July 4th is coming up - this year fireworks can be used for 12 hours from 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM on July 4. Otherwise, they cannot be used in the City. This is a pretty reasonable restriction but as always, there will be folks who don't know, or choose not to, follow the rules. We will again have officers paired up with BFD firefighters on July 4 for these issues. If people are having ongoing issues with neighbors who just keep firing them

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off outside the allowed time frames, and we have a specific address, we will be following up with notifications and making sure those residents hear from us.

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